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Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action, it is respectfully
requested that the following amendments be made.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Starting with the paragraph beginning on page 35, line 24
and ending on page 36, line 7:

MindNet is a term utilized to describe a structure such as
the linguistic structure database of logical forms associated with
translation system 600 (i.e., transfer mapping database 618). The
term MindNet was coined by Microsoft Corporation of Redmond,
Washington. In accordance with one embodiment of the present
invention, utilization of training information to adapt system 600
based on corrections made by the reliable modification source
involves manipulation (i.e., an updating) of the MindNet. The
process of updating can occur on the user's system (or on a server
associated with the user) or remotely on the system associated with
the modification source.

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